

Iowa Department of Human Services

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4/17/15

Mary Mathias 718 E 7th St Muscatine IA 52761

Dear Mary,
This letter is in regards to the 4/16/15 compliance check of your Level B, Registered Child Development Home. Iowa Code Chapter 237A and 441 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, describes specific requirements that must be met by a Registered Child Development Home. The following areas were out of compliance at the time of my visit:
110.5(1) Conditions in the home are safe, sanitary, and free of hazards. Mary needs to move hotplate warmer above bathroom sink out of the area. This worker also observed what appeared to be a small sewage leak in the basement that needs to be fixed. Mary needs to provide documentation of ongoing pest extermination for her house as this worker observed a cockroach crawling up kitchen wall during the visit today.
110.5(1)b All medicines and poisonous, toxic, or otherwise unsafe materials are secured from access by a child. Mary needs to move paint cans located in bathroom to child inaccessible area.
110.5(1)e Electrical wiring shall be maintained.
110.5(1)e All accessible electrical outlets are safely capped. Mary needs to place a child tamper-resistant outlet and outlet cover on outlet in bathroom.
110.5(1)h A safe outdoor play area is maintained in good condition throughout the year. Mary needs to replace missing/broken slats in fence and fix both fence gates that are broken off.
110.5(1)h Is kept free from litter, rubbish and flammable materials. Mary needs to pick up garbage and recyclables from the outdoor play area.
110.5(1)j Emergency and disaster plans for fire and tornado are written and posted by primary and secondary exits. Mary needs to post plans near front door.

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110.5(1)o Nonsmoking signs posted at every entrance of the home and in every vehicle used to

110.5(1)k Fire and tornado drills are practiced monthly and documentation kept.

Mary needs to practice monthly both fire and tornado drills and document.

transport children. Signs include telephone # for reporting complaints, and

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Mary needs to place compliant sign in her transport vehicle.
110.5(1)v The provider has written policies about responding to health-related emergencies. Mary needs to show documentation of her procedures in dealing with this situation(s).
110.5(2) A provider file is maintained and contains:
110.5(2)a A physician's signed statement of health and immunization status on the provider and all members of the household who may be present when children are in the home. Statements must be obtained at the time of initial registration and updated every two years. Mary needs to provide documentation of current physical for Jim.
110.5(2)c An individual file is maintained for each staff assistant and contains:
110.5(2)c A physician's signed statement of health and immunization status at the time of employment and at least every two years thereafter. Mary needs to obtain written documentation on approved provider physical form for Pam and Meyalli.
110.5(2)c Certification of two hours of approved training relating to identification and reporting of child abuse within 6 months of employment and repeated every 5 years. Mary needs to obtain written documentation of current course completion for Meyalli.
110.5(2)d An individual file is maintained for each substitute and contains:
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110.5(3) Activity Program.
110.5(3)e All play equipment and materials are in a safe condition, for both indoor and outdoor activities. See 110.5(1) h.
110.5(8) Children's Files
110.5(8) An individual file is maintained for each child and updated annually or when there are changes. Each file contains:

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110.5(8)a Identifying information including, at a minimum, the child's name, birth date, parent's name, address, telephone number, special needs of the child and the parent's work address and telephone number. Need for A.M.
110.5(8)b Emergency information including where the parent can be reached, the name, street address, city and telephone of the child's regular doctor, and the name number, telephone number, and relationship to the child of another adult available in case of emergency.
Need for A.M.
110.5(8)c A signed medical consent from the parent authorizing emergency treatment. Need for A.M.
110.5(8)d For infants and preschoolers: An admission physical examination, on the first day of attendance, including past health history, status of present health, allergies and restrictive conditions, and recommendations for continued care when necessary. The date of the exam is not more than 12 months before the child's first day of attendance. Need physical for H.T.(3),A.S.
110.5(8)d For school-aged children: On the first day of attendance, a statement of health status signed by the parent or legal guardian. Need school-aged health status for G.G.
110.5(8)e For infants and preschoolers: A statement of health signed by a physician submitted annually. Need updated physical for J.A.(2), J.A.(2), A.H.
110.5(8)f A list signed by the parent which names persons authorized to pick up the child, their telephone number, and relationship to the child. Need for G.G., A.M.
110.5(8)g A signed and dated immunization certificate provided by the state department of public health. Need for A.A. Need update for J.A.(2), J.A.(2)
110.5(8)h For each school-age child, record of a physical exam completed at the time of school enrollment or since. Need for A.A.
110.5(8)i Written permission from the parent(s) for their child to attend activities away from the child development home. It must include times of arrival and departure, destination, and person(s) responsible for the child. Need for H.T., A.H., B.E., D.H., C.E., A.M.
110.5(10) Substitutes

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☐ 110.5(10)e The provider maintains a written record of the number of hours substitute care is provided, including the date and the name of the substitute. Mary needs to provide documentation of when she has utilized her approved substitute to watch her daycare children.
Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Development Home Registration. Please take whatever steps are necessary to completely address each of the violations noted above. It is essential you correct all above-mentioned violations by 6/2/15.
Based on the items out of compliance listed above, you will be required to have a recheck or follow up visit to your home. This visit will occur sometime on or after 6/2/15 .
Please do not hesitate to contact me at DHS at (319) 208-5521 if you have any questions regarding this letter.
Sincerely,
Chad Reckling Social Worker II

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Always Remember:

Child Care Resource and Referral is an excellent resource for providers to access training options and support in your area. You can reach Child Care Resource and Referral at 1-866-324-3236

As you plan your future trainings to meet your 24 hours of training requirement, please remember that you need to use only DHS approved training and only 12 hours can be by self-study. You can access the approved training by going to http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/Consumers/Child_Care/Professional_Development.html and you can sign up for training at https://ccmis.dhs.state.ia.us/trainingregistry/

All providers need to maintain compliance with rules set out in Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, which includes: 441 IAC 110.5(1): Check with the appropriate authorities to determine how the following local, state, or federal laws apply to you: • Zoning code • Building code • Fire code • Business license • State and federal income tax • Unemployment insurance • Worker's Compensation • Minimum wage and hour requirements • OSHA • Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).